

**REMARKS**

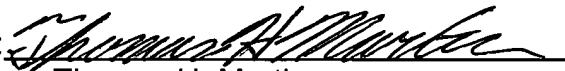
Applicant amended claims 172, 191, 195, 196, 207, 208, 212, and 232, and added new claims 243-246 to further define Applicant's claimed invention. New claims 243-246 read on elected Species I, Figs. 4-10.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this reply, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1068.

Respectfully submitted,

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